



Springbank Secondary College

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Vision Statement:

We are committed to an inclusive and engaging learning environment that promotes a culture of excellence and creativity.

2022 TERM DATES

Term 1	30 January – 14 April
Term 2	1 May – 7 July
Term 3	24 July – 29 September
Term 4	16 October – 15 December

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday 23 November
1pm Official Opening of New Buildings

5.15pm Year 12 End of Schooling Ceremony and Formal Dinner

Friday 24 November
Year 11 last day and head start 11 to 12.

Monday 27 November
Governing Council Meeting

Thursday 7 December
2024 Year 7 Transition Day

Friday 8 December
Year 10 last day and head start 10 to 11

Wednesday 13 December
1:30pm Presentation Ceremony

Friday 15 December
Last day of Term 4
Early dismissal—1:15pm



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Department for Education

Dear parents, carers and community,

Year 12 (stage 2) examinations have commenced. Last week we hosted several Stage 2 exams (General Mathematics, Essential Mathematics, French, and Biology. This week we conclude with the remaining French examination and Psychology.

On Tuesday last week eight students along with Ms Tamara Seaman, Mr Mark Haughton and Mr Rob Humphreys participated in an excursion to Centennial Park Cemetery to lay 4500 flags on the memorials of ex-service men and women. What a huge undertaking and an honour for our students. See the photos in this edition of the newsletter.



On Friday we held our Remembrance Day ceremony. We were honoured to have a number of dignitaries including Nadia Clancy MP, Dr Heather Holes-Ross Mayor of Mitcham and our Governing Council Chairperson (Danielle Duffield-Sorell), parent rep Julie Bettess, and Yvonne Todd Councillor Mitcham Council. Among our invited guests were four students and the Principal (Vicki Bashford) from Edwardstown Primary School and eight students and the Principal (Liz Pelling) from Colonel Light Gardens Primary School. We were thrilled to share our event with our neighbouring schools.

Springbank students took a lead role in respectfully remembering those who served in Australian military campaigns. See photos from the ceremony in this edition of the newsletter. Catering for the event was prepared by Ms Lowes Year 11 students and was beautifully presented and delicious.

On Friday we farewelled our year 12 students as they completed their last day of timetabled lessons. The year 12 students shared their memories of secondary schooling and their aspirations. They were led and supported not only through this event but also throughout the year, by their care group teachers Brendan Mann, Natasha Grundy and Fiona Roberts. After planting four trees sponsored by Mitcham Council, students enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by Ms Henderson's students.

I encourage students to make the most of the remaining weeks of the year and to focus on achieving the best possible outcomes for 2023. In coming weeks, we will share details of the week 9 activities week program for year 7, 8 and 9 students.

Enjoy this newsletter.

Kind regards

Wendy House
Principal



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Remembrance Day Preparations at Centennial Park

In preparation for Remembrance Day, eight Springbank student leaders, supported by three members of staff, had the wonderful privilege of laying flags across 4500 memorials to members of the Australian armed forces at Centennial Park.



Our students completed this enormous task with diligence and respect. It was an honour for Springbank Secondary College to be a part of this again in the lead up to Remembrance Day on 11 November 2023. Lest we forget.

Tamara Seaman
Wellbeing Leader



Year 12 Final Week of Schooling

To celebrate the end of their time at Springbank Secondary College the Year 12s organised a series of dress up days. The themes were; younger self, future self and dress as a teacher.

The students had a fantastic time finding clothing and photos to suit the themes and engaging in conversations about their lives, time at school and future plans.



Unfortunately, there isn't a photo, but April came dressed as Ms Brookes and was so convincing she was mistaken for Ms Brookes not only by students but staff as well. Luckily the power didn't go to her head and school policies remain in tact.



Natasha Grundy
Year 12 Caregroup Teacher



Brightpath

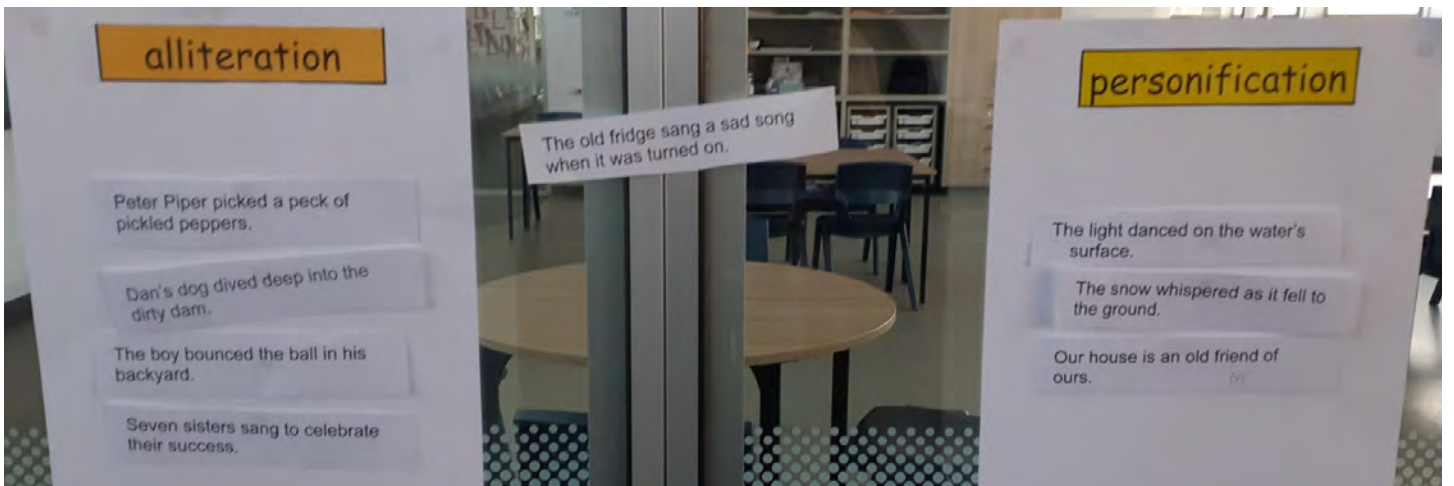
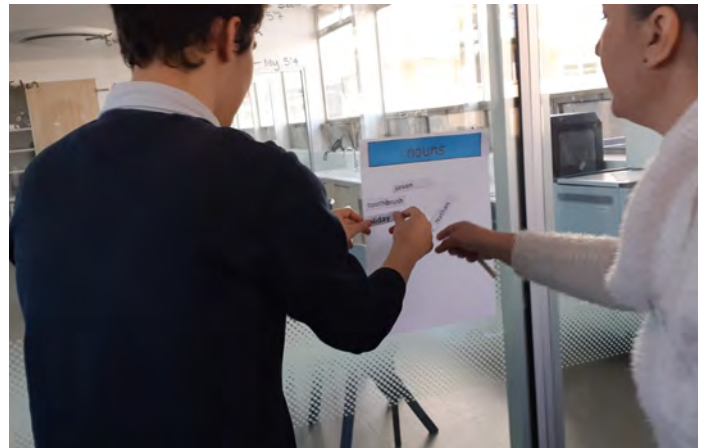
As part of our site improvement plan literacy focus to improve writing we have engaged with the Brightpath program. Brightpath is a Department for Education initiative that focuses on building student capacity through identifying teaching priorities. Twice a year students are asked to write to a prompt and the Brightpath ladder is used to identify strengths and areas for improvement that teachers then include in their planning. Springbank Secondary College began using this program last year and in this early phase we are developing our implementation, feedback and data analysis.

As part of the narrative writing capacity-building focus, 702 and some year 9 classes participated in a workshop on literary techniques to assist them in their creative writing. This workshop saw students make decisions, discuss reasoning and adjust thinking if needed. The SSC Brightpath team continue to undergo training and discussions with the DfE Brightpath team as we seek to strengthen our understanding and implementation of this program.

Natasha Grundy
English & HASS Teacher



Brock Traeger
Curriculum, Pedagogy & Innovation



Basketball Academy: Flinders University - Strength and Conditioning Screening Program

After completing their baseline testing last term and being provided with a 6-week strength and conditioning program, Basketball Academy students were tested at the end of October to measure their progress. The intention of fitness testing is to evaluate specific aspects of an athlete's physical condition so that training programs and performance goals can be set, applied and evaluated throughout the season.

This experience has provided students with the opportunity to evaluate their own progress as an athlete. The support and guidance from Flinders University has been fantastic and we look forward to working together again next year to support our students.



Basketball Academy students preparing for the 10m sprint



Fletcher completing the vertical jump test

Primary School Coaching

Basketball Academy students returned to Colonel Light Gardens Primary School this term. This provided an opportunity for our student to apply their knowledge and understanding in regards to providing a safe and engaging learning environment as the coach. The Basketball Academy students worked in small groups to deliver a skilled based session in the areas of shooting and finishing, ball handling and footwork along with playing some small sided games.



Brendan Mann

Basketball Academy & PE Teacher



Drive SLOWLY in the carpark

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Please drive SLOWLY and CAREFULLY in our carpark. Students walk through it to get to the Stadium and the TAC, as well as at drop off and pick up times. The speed limit (10kmph) must be observed at ALL TIMES for everyone's safety.

Variety Activate Inclusion Sports Day

On Wednesday 8 November year 12 students from in the Unit Class attended the Variety Activate Inclusion Sports Day. The purpose of the day was to encourage and empower the students to explore sporting opportunities, including the health benefits of physical activity building social wellbeing and friendship.



Students gave all the sports a go which included, Pickle Ball, NRL, Soccer, Basketball and Badminton. They improved on their balance, coordination and mobility skills. The students developed their ability to work as part of a team, collaborating and planning and increased self-esteem through a sense of achievement. The students did a great job and really enjoyed the day!

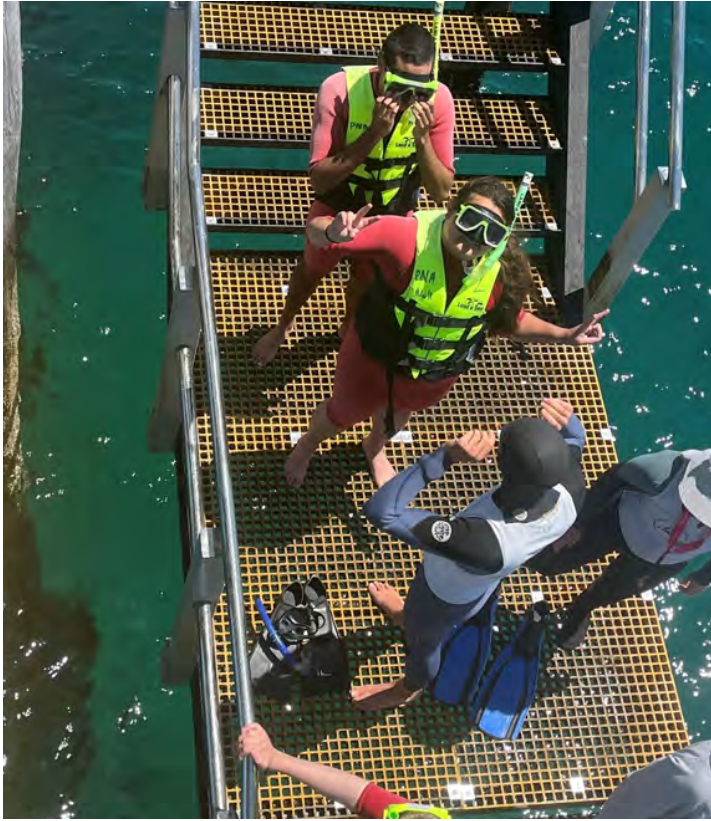


Alex Brook
PE Teacher



Term 4 Aquatics

The year 12 students from the disability unit engaged in the aquatics program. The students enjoyed body boarding and some tried snorkelling for the very first time. The students enjoyed seeing the fish underwater and caught a few waves.



Amelia Pickard

Home Economics / HPE / Drama
Teacher



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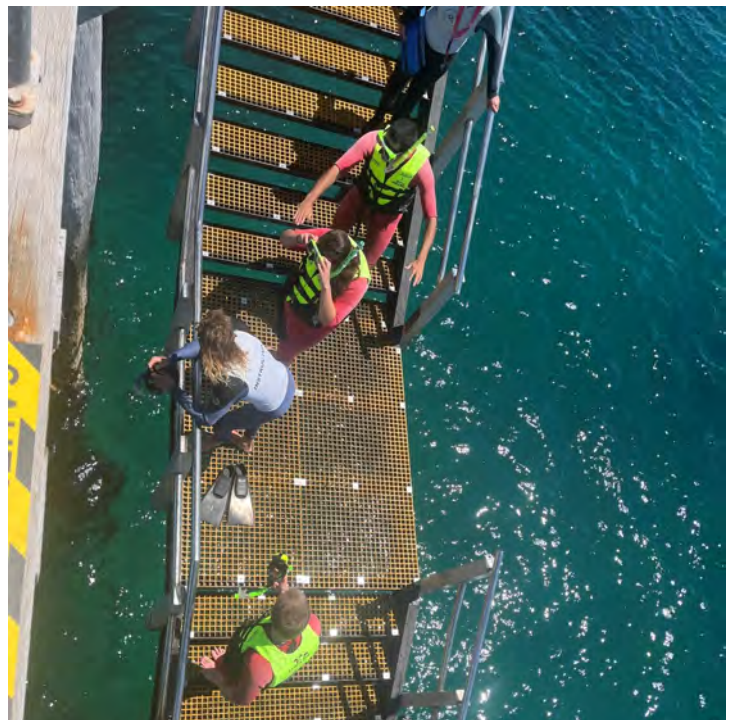
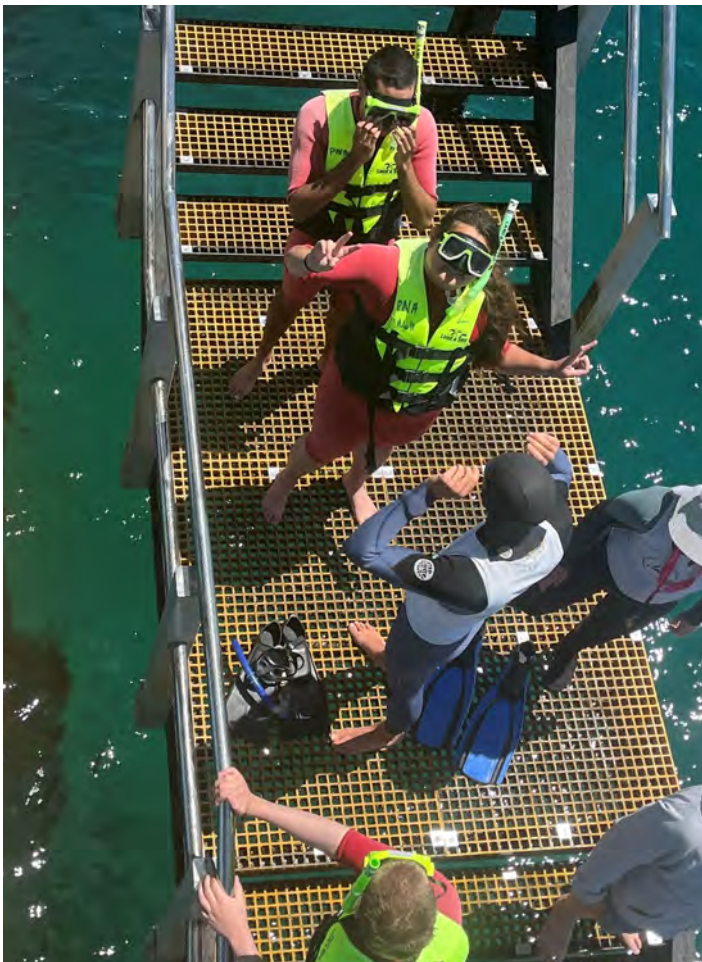
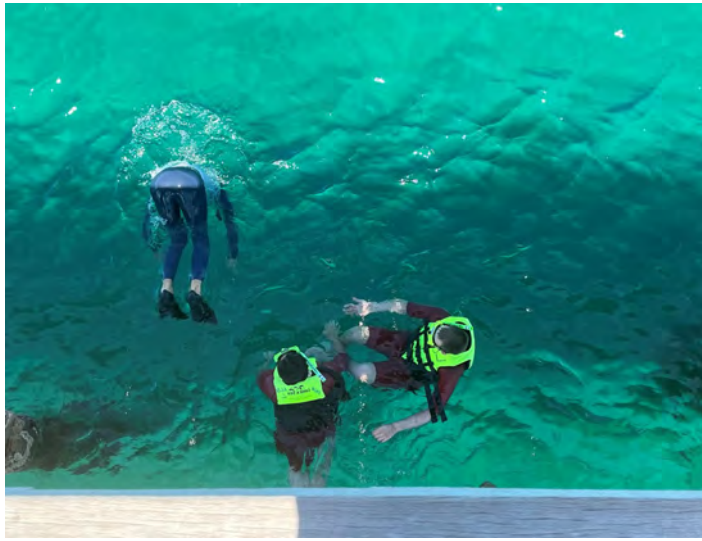
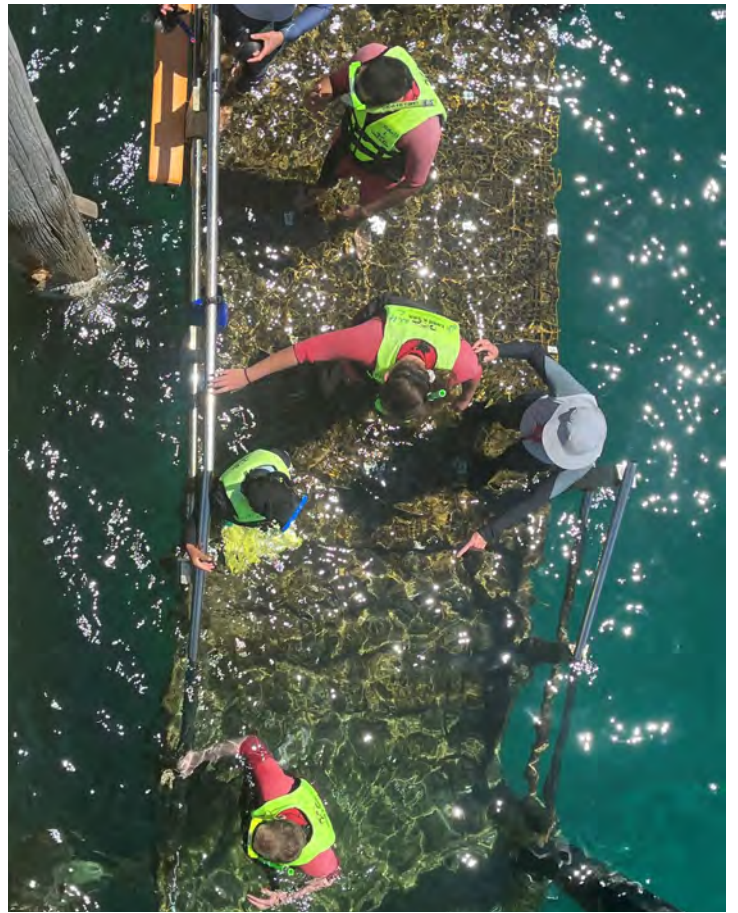


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Canteen Update

Congratulations to our wonderful canteen, Zesta Gourmet, who won first prize for their fruit mince pies at the Royal Adelaide show. Described as “rich and aromatic, encrusted in a buttery shortcrust pastry”. The canteen will be making them to order as a once off in November.

Vegetarian and nut free, they are available to order in boxes of 6 on the QKR app, and collection will be on Thursday 30 November or Thursday 7 December at lunch time from the canteen.



Finance News

2023 M&S Fees Due

Reminder to all families: Materials & Services Charges are due for 2023. Families who may be entitled to school card benefits need to apply each year. Please note applications for the 2023 School Card Scheme close Friday 24 November 2023. Unpaid charges will be forwarded to the Fines Enforcement and Recovery Unit (FERU) within the Department of Treasury and Finance, which undertakes the recovery of materials and services charges on behalf of the DfE in accordance with their debt management processes.

Materials and Services Charges 2024

Materials & Service Charges are used source essential items and services used by students. This includes, but is not limited to; access to ebooks, licensed programs, IT, curriculum and subject supplies, access to machinery, equipment and other essentials directly related to student learning.

Families should have received an email or letter from the Department for Education with an opportunity to vote on our proposed M&S charges for 2024. Please cast your vote soon, as the poll closes on 20 November 2023. Thank you for supporting our staff to deliver a high quality learning program for each student.



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PLEASE BOOK YOUR UNIFORM FITTING APPOINTMENT NOW.

Appointments are required for Uniform fittings from now until 1st February.
Please check your uniform shop outlet or the Devon Website for further details

<https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/shop-by-school/>

Convenient trading times. Please check with your Uniform Shop location.

Further information regarding appointment bookings can be found here:

<https://onlinestore.devonclothing.com.au/appointment/>

Trained Staff

Devon Clothing Staff are carefully trained to ensure they are able to assist customers with knowledge about fit, care of garments and uniform requirements

Shop early and rest assured that if your child outgrows their uniform prior to starting school, you can exchange for another size*

Payment Options

Mastercard, Visa, EFTPOS and Cash Payments are all accepted

Buy Now, Pay Later options available

Online Ordering

Place your orders online with our easy to use website

Choose from delivery to your personal address** or collect from store

Ethical and sustainable sourcing

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*Garments must be returned in original packaging,

unwashed, unworn (apart from trying on) and "as new" condition

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FRIDAYS 4PM-7PM **FREE**

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Dec 1st
Dec 15th



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